

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	Stamler <i>et al.</i>	CONF. NO.	2192
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FOR:	PREVENTION OF FLAP NECROSIS IN PLASTIC SURGERY		

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 18, 2009**

This paper is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 25, 2008 in the above-referenced application. With a three-month extension, this response is due on or before September 18, 2009. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time along with the appropriate extension fee.

Applicants submit this paper in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). This paper constitutes a proper submission in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.14(c).

Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 24862-514N01US.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.